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ABSTRACT

This CD-ROM contains a simulated conversation between a counselor at the Department of Education's Federal Student Aid Information Center and a student inquiring about financial assistance. The information pertains to the year from July 2003 through June 2004. Following an introductory track containing information about the contents of the CD, each track deals with different aspects of student financial aid. The tracks are: (1) the introduction to the audio guide and table of contents; (2) sources of nonfederal aid (section 1 of the guide); (3) federal student aid programs and general eligibility requirements (section 2); (4) how to file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) (section 3); (5) determining dependency status (section 4); (6) what happens after the application is filed (section 5); (7) making adjustments to the application (section 6); (8) meeting deadlines and verifying information (section 7); (9) Pell grants (section 8); (10) Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity grants and Federal Work Study (section 9); (11) Perkins loans (section 10); (12) direct and Family Education Loan (FEL) program loans for students (section 11); (13) loans for parents, direct and FEL program loans (section 12); (14) consolidation of direct and FEL loans (section 13); and (15) "Where Do I Go from Here?" (section 14). (SLD)

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